

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The copy-related information of an input video  
signal is detected and the copy control information of  
RDI located at the head of each video object unit and  
5 the scrambling control information described in the  
packet header of the video packets in the video object  
unit to which the RDI belongs are rewritten so as to  
coordinate the contents of the copy-related  
information, those of the copy control information and  
10 those of the scrambling control information.